

REMARKS

Claims 9-21, 29, 36-39 and 42-49 are pending and under consideration in the present application. Claims 9, 18, 29, 36, 42, 45 and 48 are the independent claims.

Claims 1-8, 22-28, 30-35, and 40-41 have been cancelled without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Claims 42-49 are newly-presented.

Claims 9, 11, 12, 19, 20, 21, 29, 36 and 38 have been amended. No new matter is believed to have been added.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 503333.

Respectfully submitted,

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